



Risk Factors for Late Onset Hearing Loss: Family History

A family history of hearing loss (looking back three generations) including:

- ◆ A family member born with a hearing loss.
- ◆ A family member with a hearing loss detected in childhood.
- ◆ Hearing loss not caused by a medical condition like prematurity or ear infections.
- ◆ Deafness/Hearing loss of a permanent nature:
 - NOT associated with old age.
 - NOT job-related.
 - NOT associated with a sudden noise or accident.

For a list of references and more detailed information about this and other risk factors for late onset hearing loss, please visit our website: www.doh.wa.gov/ehddi.

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